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1000-1 Generally, all trusts are revocable (Prob. C.15400) 1000-2 Oral trust of personal property must be established by clear and convincing evidence (Prob. C. 15207) 1000-3 Establishing CUTMA; irrevocability; vesting in minor (Prob. C. 3909(a)(2), 3911(b)) CUTMA custodian may give to, or pay for, the minor as much of the custodial 1000-3A property as he/she sees fit, even if no court order, and regardless of whether the minor or others responsible for the minor have, or do not have, assets (Prob. C. 3914(a)) 1000-4 Resulting trusts (Witkin, Summary of California Law) 1000-5 *Totten* trusts (Prob. C. 5301(c); *Estate of Wilson*) 1000-6 Involuntary trustees (Civ. C. 2223, 2224) 1001-1 Earnings of spouse and minor children while living apart from spouse are separate property (Fam. C. 771) 1001-2 Tracing permitted when community and separate property commingled (Fam. C. 2640) 1001-3 Separate property acquired by gift, bequest, devise, descent (Fam. C. 770) 1001-4 Deeds, transfers of real property (Civ. C. 1091; Witkin, Summary of California Law) 1001-4A Real property can be transferred only by operation of law, or by a writing (Civ. C. 1091, 1624(a)) 1001-5 Transfers of property can be made orally; when effective (Civ. C. 1052-1055) 1001-7 Ownership of property under California law (Civ. C. 654, 679) 1001-8 Transfer of property without consideration is usually a gift; "consideration" defined (Civ. C. 1146, 1605) 1100-1 Correctly addressed, properly mailed letter presumed received (Evid. C. 641) 1100-2 Party who does not produce good evidence in his/her possession should have weaker evidence actually presented viewed with distrust (Evid. C. 412) 1100-3 Trier of facts may determine genuineness of handwriting (Evid. C. 1417) 1100-4 Definition of inference (Evid. C. 600(b); Traxler v. Thompson) Secondary Evidence Rule, replacing Best Evidence Rule (Evid. C. 1520. 1100-5A 1521, 1523, 1530, 1550; Witkin, California Evidence, 4th Edition, Vol. 2) 1100-6 Direct evidence defined; one witness' direct evidence sufficient to prove fact (Evid. C. 410,411) 1100-7 Evidence Code rule as to determination of credibility (Evid. C. 780) 1100-8 Trier of fact may consider failure to explain or deny facts (Evid. C. 413) 1100-9 Hearsay evidence defined (Evid. C. 1200(a)) 1100-10 Hearsay exception: statement made by party or party's representative (Evid. C. 1220) 1100-11 Hearsay exception: adoptive admission (Evid. C. 1221) 1100-12 Hearsay exception: declaration against interest (Evid. C. 1230) 1100-13 Hearsay exception: business records (Evid. C. 1271) 1100-14 Hearsay exception: absence of entry in business record (Evid. C. 1272)

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1100-15	Hearsay exception: official records (Evid. C. 1280)
1101-1	Party asserting affirmative of issue has burden of proof (Cornell v. Reilly)
1101-2	Burden of producing evidence defined; initially on party with burden of proof (Evid. C. 110, 550)
1101-3	Burden of proof defined (Evid. C. 115)
1101-4	County has burden of going forward (22-073.36)
1102-1	Person without understanding has no power to contract (Civ. C. 38)
1102-2	Contract defined; determination of validity of contract (Civ. C. 1549, 1550)
1103-1	Every word in statute has a meaning (Woodmansee v. Lowery)
1103-2	In construing statutes, look to language of statute first, but if this would lead to absurd result, look to intent of the law as a whole (Larson v. California State Personnel Board)
1103-3	Harmonize statutory provisions; when not possible, more recently enacted, or
	specific rather than general, governs (Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corp.
	v. Bonjorno)
1103-4	Generally no retroactive effect given to changes in law (Rosasco v. Comm. or Judicial Performance, Evangelatos v. Superior Court)
1103-4A	Statute not to be given retroactive effect unless the legislature so provides, particularly when the right affected is a vested right ( <i>Canfield</i> v. <i>Prod</i> )
1103-5	Words in statute have same meaning as in everyday speech unless the word has an established legal meaning (Savnik v. Hall; Arnett v. Dal Cielo)
1103-6	Law related to public assistance is to be fairly and equitably construed (W&I
	11000)
1110-1	Regulation defined (Handbook 17-001.1; Gov. C. §11342)
1110-2	Handbook defined (Handbook 17-001.2)
1110-3	Explanation of Manual Letters (Handbook 17-001.3)
1110-4	Explanation of ACLs (Handbook 17-001.4)
1110-5	Explanation of ACINs (Handbook 17-001.5)
1200-1	No regulation valid which is inconsistent or in conflict with statute (Gov. Code 11342.2)
1200-2	Regulations valid if authorized by and consistent with controlling statutes ( <i>Morris</i> v. <i>Williams</i> )
1200-3	Director should not enforce invalid regulations in fair hearings (Woods v.
1200 4	Superior Court)
1200-4	Administrative agency cannot declare a statute unenforceable or
	unconstitutional on basis of federal law (Cal. Const., Art. III, 3.5)
1200-5	U.S. Supreme Court analysis of abuse of discretion ( <i>Motor Vehicle Mfrs. Ass'n</i> v. <i>State Farm Mutual.</i> )
1200-6	Review standards for abuse of discretion in California (Asimow, Michael, 42 UCLA L.R. 1157)
1201-1	Persons who have right to state hearing (W&IC 10950)
1201-2	LCSA has responsibility for enforcing child support obligations (Fam. C. 17400(a) and 17500(a))

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- 1201-2A LCSA has a complaint resolution process and department of Child Support has a hearing process (Fam. C. 17800 and 17801)
- Referral to SIU, investigation by SIU, and SIU referral to DA, not subject to state hearing (Madrid v. McMahon)
- 1201-4 County shall determine conditions of employment of county employees, and hearings as to employment are conducted by county hearing officer of OAH (Gov. Code 25300, 27720, 27727)
- 1201-5 Administration of public social services is county function (W&IC 10800)
- 1202-1 Collateral estoppel (Teitelbaum Furs v. Dominion Insurance Company, Ltd.)
- Res Judicata and collateral estoppel (*Frommhagen* v. *Board of Santa Cruz County*)
- Finality required for collateral estoppel after administrative decision (*Long Beach Unified School District* v. *State of California*; *Abelson* v. *Nat. Union Fire Ins. Co.*)
- Small claims court decision, or Superior Court decision under Small Claims Act, is not entitled to collateral estoppel (*Craig-Casey* v. *Rosse*)
- 1202-5 Collateral estoppel does not preclude CDSS or counties from seeking to recover a greater AFDC overpayment than imposed by a judge as a part of the restitution in the criminal case (*Shor* v. *DSS*)
- 1202-6 No collateral estoppel in civil case after conviction following guilty plea (*Pease* v. *Pease*)
- When administrative hearing process is from an agency acting in a judicial capacity, it may preclude subsequent litigation on same issue (*Castillo* v. *City of Los Angeles*)
- No authority within state hearing process to award damages or issue injunction (*Ramos* v. *Madera*)
- 1203-2 Compliance required; aid must be issued even if rehearing granted (*Taylor* v. *McKay*; *Blackburn* v. *Sarsfield*; W&IC 10963)
- 1203-6 Unpublished opinions are generally not citable; exceptions (Cal. Rules of Court §977)
- 1204-1 Residence of minor, how determined (W&IC 17.1)
- Residence of minor declared free of parental custody (W&IC 17.1(e))
- 1204-3 Age of majority is 18, effective 1972 (Fam. C. 6502)
- 1205-1 Citizenship of person born abroad of alien parent and citizen parent (8 USC 1401(g))
- When alien parents become U.S. citizens, noncitizen child also becomes a U.S. citizen (8 USC 1432(a)(1))
- 1210-1 State minimum wage amounts (Labor C. 11040; ACIN I-114-01)
- General rules regarding overpayments dischargeable in bankruptcy (ACIN I-65-86)